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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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SERIAL NO: 09/641,917 :  
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FOR: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, :  
IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND  
IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM

**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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